

**MCLUAC (Middle Canyon Land Use Advisory Committee)**  
**Minutes from July 28, 2020 meeting**

Call to Order

Committee Members:

- Terry Divoky 12/30/20
- Sharon DeMeester 12/30/21
  
- Mark Mussman, Director Flathead County Planning and Zoning

Approval of Agenda

Approval of June 30, 2020 minutes as amended

Amendment – Determination was made to create an Ad-Hoc committee to address seasonal employee housing issues. The meeting was open to the public.

Old Business

Steve Frye presented the July 21, 2020 open meeting of Ad-Hoc committee on seasonal employee housing. (reference 7.41)

1. A motion was made and passed to change the title to SEASONALLY OCCUPIED EMPLOYEE HOUSING.
2. Work Camp licensure discussed and the pros and cons
3. Next meeting will have County Sanitation and Health staff to discuss county regulations

Mark would like to develop a specific definition for Seasonal Employee. This definition needs to be refined by the Ad-hoc committee to also possibly include a winter season.

One application was received to fill Larry Parsons' term by Aubrie Loroña. A motion was made and seconded to support Aubrie and forwarded to County Commissioners.

B.N.S.F. Grant – Terry Divoky has finally made contact with the person, Matt Jones, executive director of Public Affairs Western Division. He has requested that info be submitted to him.

Discussion of accessibility availability for notice of MCLUAC meetings. Mark said that the minutes become available on the county web site. All meetings are recorded and are available at the planning office.

Discussed the need to continue the MCLUAC. As the county grows more pressure is placed on the growth in the Canyon. This committee was dormant for 8 years. This committee is important because all information on planning issues in our area comes before this committee. If no committee, then the community does not know what planning issues are proposed until the issue comes before the Flathead County Planning Board.

An Ad-Hoc committee was formed to develop recommendations for three By-law changes:

1. Should we increase the number of MCLUAC board members from three to five or remain at three.
2. Revise our definition of who may serve as a MCLUAC board member using the 1978 Montana Supreme Court Legal Opinion 2012-020.
3. Look into options for community members to electronically log in the MCLUAC meeting.

Discussion on meeting and meeting format - Dan Yuhas wanted to know if the meetings can have a digital format, Zoom, call in etc. Mark stated that the county has WebEX which does both video and audio. Will work on the potential for future meetings.

Motion made by Terry Divoky to form an Ad-Hoc committee to develop recommendations for expansion of MCLUAC  
Seconded by Sharon DeMeester; Motion Passed

## Discussion and Public Comments

### Discussion – Vision Project

Monica Jungster gave an update on the progress of the project. West Glacier Vision has been mailed out to all those who attended meetings. Vision has shifted to outdoor gathering with social distancing and virtual gatherings.

Montana House held fire aware meeting and was well attended. The fire aware information is available on the Montana House web site. Jill sent out the info on July 28<sup>th</sup> from West Glacier Community Preservation Association

Whistle Stop = still lacking DEQ approvals. County staff needs to do inspection as required by County Commissioners.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday August 25, 2020 West Glacier (Place will be announced)

Adjournment 8:12 p.m.

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